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In re application of :  
El-Shall et al :  
Serial No. 10/725,158 :  
Filed: December 1, 2003 :  
For: TREATMENT OF SPENT PULPING LIQUOR WITH :  
LIGNIN SEPARATION TO RECOVER ALKALI :  
PULPING CHEMICALS IN MANUFACTURE OF :  
PAPER PULP :

DECISION ON  
PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed December 1, 2003 requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status under section 708.02(VI) of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(c) – no fee required.

The request for Special Status is granted because the criteria set forth in MPEP 708.02(VI) and 37 CFR 1.102(c) has been met.

The petition is GRANTED.

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